

CHAPTER NO. 6

HOUSE BILL NO. 226

By Representative McKee

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 925

By Senator Elsea

AN ACT to designate U.S. Highway 411 within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood in McMinn County as the "Englewood Veterans Memorial Highway".

WHEREAS, since the birth of our great nation, hundreds of thousands of brave American men and women have served their country in the United States Armed Forces and many continue this legacy of service today, defending the most inviolate principles of human freedom and democracy; and

WHEREAS, this meritorious service continues the time-honored tradition of Tennessee volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, the intrepid and valiant members of the United States Armed Forces have continued to inspire our confidence, loyalty and support; and

WHEREAS, from Valley Forge to Bosnia, to the present war-torn lands of Africa, Eastern Europe and the Middle East, our armed forces have unselfishly paid the price of freedom for their friends and families, and for all of us; and

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that we should honor those courageous men and women who have made many sacrifices to preserve the blessed freedoms we enjoy today and that our progeny will hopefully continue to cherish for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood have requested that a certain route be named to honor and recognize all those brave sons and daughters of Englewood who sacrificed personal concerns and their safety, with many of them giving their lives, so that we might enjoy the many bounties of democracy and the American way of life; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, that segment of U.S. Highway 411 located within the corporate limits of the Town of Englewood in McMinn County is hereby designated as the "Englewood Veterans Memorial Highway".

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such segment of U.S. Highway 411 as the "Englewood Veterans Memorial Highway".

SECTION 3. The erection of such directional signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the Federal Highway Administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5.

(1) This act shall become operative only if the Town of Englewood, Tennessee, remits the estimated cost of the erection of such signs to the Department of Transportation within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. The Town of Englewood shall make such payment prior to any expenditure by the State for manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the Town of Englewood within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, the Town of Englewood shall remit an amount equal to the difference in such costs to the department within thirty (30) days of receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

(2) In addition to the provisions of subdivision (1), the Town of Englewood may manufacture and erect such signs provided that such signs are manufactured and erected pursuant to federal guidelines and approved by the department.


SECTION 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 5, 2001


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of March 2001


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